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**FROM COLONEL JOHN CARLYLE.**

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DR SIR/

Capt Brodie woud Inform you the Reason I did not Call on You, If he did not I Assure You it was for no other Reason but the Great Company I See & heard of at yr house & I thought myself & my little Companion not In A proper Dress for Straingers You or Yr family I woud have made free with, Therefor hope for Yr Excuse—

The Captain Comeing Up this Evening Surprised me & tells me You wanted bills of Lading I have filled up Two as many as I think Necessary Without You Consigne Yr Cargo to any Person on the Islands In that case you may Take three I have Consigned mine & Mr Daltons Interest on board to the Captains & Mr Adams Joyntly, & therefor take but two bills of Lading the Freight I Intend is the Currency Of the Island where the Comodity is Sold & No more

I hope ye Sailes & Returns will Please You & that the Vessel may make A Short Voyage for the bennifit of All Concerned, tho Mr Lun Washington has not given the Assistance he promised but Suppose he was Tyerd with harvest & now Rejoyceing the Labr is Over—I am with great Regard Dr Sir

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Yr. Very Hble Sert JOHN CARLYLE